Modernisation of the defence forces is an on-going process keeping in view the security imperatives and threat perception and is carried out through judicious use of resources allocated.

A Statement indicating the amounts sought by and allocated to defence forces (Army, Air Force and Navy) for modernisation for the last three years is given below :

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Amount sought	BE Allocation
2000-2001	20,523.29	15,980.56
2001-2002	21,808.12	17,815.76
2002-2003	25,514.15	18,858.42

Land used for mining on Indo-Pak Border

†*464. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of farmers whose land was used for land mining during 'Operation Parakram' on Indo-Pak border;

(b) whether it is a fact that the work of removal of these land mines has not been done so far;

(c) whether it is also a fact that even the compensation provided to the farmers is meagre and the livelihood of their families is not possible with the compensation; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to pay adequate compensation to the farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA) : (a) to (d) During 'Op. Parakram', land was utilized for deployment of troops, locating stores and for other operational requirements, including laying of mines. The information regarding the number of farmers whose land was used specifically for purposes of laying of mines is 'secret' due to operational reasons.

Demining operations commenced after the Government decided in October,

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

2002 for strategic re-deployment of the armed forces. So far, 71% of total mines laid have been completely cleared.

The rate of compensation per acre is decided by a Board of Officers having representation from Army, Defence Estates and Civil Revenue authorities, and accordingly is calculated and paid to the farmers/owners of land.

Violation of directives regarding No-fly Zones

*465. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether certain important buildings and their surrounding areas, were declared as 'No-Fly' zones for security reasons;

(b) if so, when they were declared as such;

(c) whether there have been any violation of directives regarding 'No-Fly' zones; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) These No-Fly Zones have been declared as such from time to time.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A Lufthansa cargo flight strayed into prohibited area of Delhi airspace on 20th November, 2002. Enquiries into the incident revealed that it had occurred owing to an error of judgment on the part of the flight crew.

Project proposals approved under 'Swajaldhara' scheme

*472. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of project proposals approved under Swajaldhara by the National Scheme Sanction Committee, State-wise;

(b) whether any time frame has been fixed by which the above projects should be completed; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR) : (a) The National Scheme Sanction Committee has so far approved 4912 project proposals pertaining to15 States and one Union Territory. The